

Pied-billed Grebe Podilymbus podiceps

Adult alternate Adult basic Summer range map Winter range map

Migration Status	Breeding Habitat	Nest Location	Nest Type	Clutch Size	Incubation	Fledge	Number of Broods	Diet
N/A	Wetland-open water	N/A	N/A	3-10	23 days	?	1, 2 in south	Aquatic Invertebrates, Fish, Reptiles or Amphibians

Identification Tips:

- Length: 9 inches
- Sexes similar
- Small, stocky-bodied grebe with a short, thick bill
- Brown plumage, darker on the crown and back
- White undertail coverts
- Feet set far back on body and trail awkwardly behind body in flight

Adult alternate:

- Black ring around horn-colored bill
- Whitish throat

Adult basic:

- Horn-colored bill without black ring
- Brown throat

Juvenile:

• Black and white striping about head

Similar Species: All other grebes have thinner bills and quite different plumage.

Credits:

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